

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph found at page 1, lines 4-7 as follows:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/194,057, filed July 15, 2002, now ~~pending~~ U.S. Patent No. 6,867,279, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/466,434, filed December 17, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,476,176, the entire disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein.